

Attention: Enfield Council
Response to Draft Local Plan

I, Angela Goodings of 46 Woodberry Avenue, N21 3LD, object to any large scale development of housing on Sainsburys site at Green lanes.

I object firstly for the loss of any green space, natural habitats, large poplar and oak tree destruction. The green space at the back of Sainsburys car park may be deemed as insignificant to council but as a local resident this plays an important health and well being feature to local community. As a mum with 3 young children to be able to walk to green spaces is hugely beneficial, for kids to play with a ball, kick up leaves in autumn, watch squirrels bury their acorns. It is important we are surrounded by open communal green spaces, no one wants to live in a completely dense urban area void of nature and that is why we chose to move to places like Winchmore hill – bulldozing over any type of scarce green space is unacceptable.

Enfield council have gone ahead with LTN plans to reduce use of car and lead to reduction in carbon emissions. But by removing trees in development is flawed with regards to the loss of important carbon captures adding to the global climate problem.

Whilst I understand this is a local plan and not going ahead anytime soon - Enfield council need to get better at providing a complete circular review of the implications of a development in terms of loss of natural environments and what development means in terms of existing infrastructure at the start of consultations – what are the climate and social risks of a large scale development plan to Sainsburys land means and how will you mitigate these?

There has been lots of online vitriol and confusion with regards to is Sainsburys staying or going – will there be any car park spaces?

I object to any development without the improvement of local infrastructure. I understand the need for affordable housing within Enfield district but Enfield council need to provide more statistics on health care waiting times, surgery appointments, waitlists for local schools, train timetables during commuting times, understanding life for a disabled or elderly who need car access. What footfall / car flow data do you have on parts of Enfield that provide education on infrastructure strain. I would also like to see a vacancy data for Enfield. How many private investors have you approached to gain understanding on their plans for buildings which still currently lie vacant.

